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APOLLO DISTRICT INTERPRETIVE PROGRAMS OCTOBER 2006

PLEASE NOTE: *all programs are subject to cancellation and/or rescheduling* due to staff limitations, weather conditions, or other factors. Some programs require reservations, a minimum age, or a cost-recovery fee. Call 386-428-3384 ext. 10 for program information during operating hours (9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.). www.nps.gov/cana. Entrance fees apply to all interpretive program participants. All programs meet the requirements for the Canaveral National Seashore Junior Ranger program.

PONTOON BOAT CRUISE:

THE BACKWATERS OF MOSQUITO LAGOON

Journey with a National Park Ranger on a visit to the colorful places that lend character to this vital estuary. Our pontoon boat, *Tortuga del Sol* is U.S. Coast Guard inspected and our licensed captains and experienced mates are trained to provide you with a memorable and safe park water tour. Join us for a two-hour journey as we cruise from the Visitor Center on most Sundays, weather permitting. RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED and SPACE IS LIMITED. A cost recovery fee of \$13.00 per person is charged for all passengers. Call (386) 428-3384 ext. 10 to reserve space.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5TH AND OCTOBER 19TH-1:00 PM- "FISH MOSQUITO LAGOON" Learn tips and tricks for fishing the waters of Mosquito Lagoon. Bring your own tackle if you can, we have some supplies. Bring water and sunscreen. Meet at the Visitor Information Center. (2 hours)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11TH-10:00 AM-"A CRABBING WE WILL GO" Learn about the elusive and delicious blue crab. Learn some trapping techniques and get some recipe ideas. Meet at the pavilion behind the Visitor Information Center. (1 hour)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12TH- **11:00 AM- "TIMUCUAN TALK"** Walk to the top of Turtle Mound and learn what life was like for the Timucuan Indians 2,000 years ago. Bring sunscreen and water. Meet at Turtle Mound. (1 hour)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12TH AND OCTOBER 26TH-1:00 PM- "HOOK, LINE AND SINKER" Bait, rigs and tackle tips will be discussed for surf fishing on Apollo Beach, along with the rules and regulations for keeping what you catch. Bring water and sunscreen. We have a few rods; feel free to bring your own. Meet at the Visitor Information Center. (2 hour)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14THAND 28TH-9:00 AM TO 12:00 PM "CANOE MOSQUITO LAGOON" Join a guide as you explore this rich and diverse estuary up close. Reservations for the 14th will begin on the 7th. Reservations for the 28th will begin on the 22nd. Some experience is preferred. Must be at least 8 years old and able to paddle. Must wear covered shoes (no sandals or flip-flops). Bring water, sunscreen and a hat. Dress to get wet. Individuals with their own kayaks or canoes are welcome to join in. Meet at the Visitor Information Center.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26TH-11:00 AM-"ELDORA WALK" Take a stroll through history as you learn what life would was like in the small town of Eldora during the turn of the century. Meet at parking area #8. (1 hour)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27TH **-10:00 AM- "CLAMMING 101"** Learn how to collect this delicious bivalve from the waters of Mosquito Lagoon. Gathering clams has been an activity conducted in this area for thousands of years, learn tips, techniques and recipes along with the Florida bag and size limits. Must wear covered shoes (no sandals or flip flops). Meet at the pavilion behind the Visitor Information Center. (1 hour)